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In Re the Application of:

HARTMAN et al.

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For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR WRITING SPIRAL SERVO  
INFORMATION BY MODIFYING  
EXISTING SERVO TRACK  
WRITING EQUIPMENT"

Group Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: Kapadia, Varsha A.

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF FEBRUARY 26, 2004**

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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated February 26, 2004 (Paper No. 11).

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for a three-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2198 for the three-month

extension fee of \$950.00.

Please note that the Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper; the Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper; and, the Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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(Column 1)		(Column 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY			
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE		
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))					\$ _____		\$ _____		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 = *			X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 = *			X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))				+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =		
				TOTAL		OR	TOTAL		
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<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II</b>									
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<b>AMENDMENT A</b>	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	Minus	**	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	Minus	***	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =		
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE		
<b>AMENDMENT B</b>	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	Minus	**	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	Minus	***	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =		
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE		
<b>AMENDMENT C</b>	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE		
	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	Minus	**	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	Minus	***	X \$ _____ =		OR	X \$ _____ =		
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ _____ =		OR	+ \$ _____ =		
				TOTAL ADD'L FEE		OR	TOTAL ADD'L FEE		
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